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FOR SCA/SCS

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SUBJECT: W/W REPATRIATION OF VIETNAM RETURNEES

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D ANTIPPAS - GISE TELECON AUG 17

1. PER REF TELECON, EMBASSY HERewith SUBMITS
RECAPITULATION REQUESTED OF INDIVIDUAL AS WELL AS
AGGREGATE EXPENDITURES AS OF 8/18 LOCAL TIME AND
PROJECTED THROUGH AUGUST 23.

2. LATTER DATE REPRESENTS OUR ESTIMATE AVAILABLE
RESERVATIONS FOR REMAINING CASES. (EMBASSY
HAS ENCOUNTERED DIFFICULTY WITH CARRIERS GIVEN PEAK
SEASON TRAVEL COMMITMENTS ACROSS THE PACIFIC).

3. FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS AMONG THOSE WHO ARRIVED
FROM VIETNAM HAVE BEEN ASSISTED BY THE EMBASSY.
"HOTEL" NOTED IN BREAKDOWN IS GIVEN IN BAHT INCLUDES BOARD
AND ROOM. SCA/SCS AUTHORIZED ITEMS GIVEN ONLY IN DOLLARS.

4. BAKER, MRS LON THI (PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIEN)
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AND DAUGHTER LEFT BANGKOK AUG 18/76.

REPATRIATION LOAN AUTHORIZED

5. BAUHAHN, MAURICE L (USC) MAKING ALL HIS OWN
ARRANGEMENTS INDEPENDENTLY

6. BENNET, STERLING H (USC) AND MRS CHUNG YEN
REPATRIATION LOAN REQUESTED AUG 1/76.
IMMIGRANT VISA ISSUED AUG 17/76. PRIVATE FUNDS
HAVE RUN OUT. AUG 18 - REQUEST FOR
REPATRIATION LOAN REPEATED.

7. CANTON, SUSAN (MRS DAVID W) AND SON MICHAEL
(BOTH USC) LEFT BANGKOK AUG 5/76.
ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY HUSBAND DAVID

8. CHING, MR YEE (USC) MRS DAN THI HUONG, SON
RICHARD JASON, DAUGHTER BAS THI (BOTH USC'S)
RELUCTANT TO APPLY FOR REPATRIATION LOAN TO DATE, HAD
OBTAINED CUT-RATE KOREAN AIR TICKETS, BUT MISSED LAST
RESERVATION AVAILABLE, DUE WAITING FOR VISA CLEARANCE
FROM WASHINGTON FOR WIFE. IMMIGRANT VISA ISSUED
AUG 17/76. NO AIR RESERVATION AVAILABLE TO DATE.

9. COOPER, WILLIAM G., JR (USC) RECEIVED LOAN FROM
PRIVATE SOURCE AUG 5/76, NOT YET ARRIVED, SHOULD
ARRIVE AUG 18 OR 19. MAKING RESERVATIONS AND ALSO
ATTEMPTING OBTAIN BANGKOK HOSPITAL JOB. THAI VISA
EXPIRES AUG 23/76.

10. DAM, MRS LINH (USC) RECEIVED ASSISTANCE FROM
DAUGHTER. LEFT BANGKOK AUG 8/76

11. FILLER, FONG DUONG (USC), REPATRIATION LOAN
AUTHORIZED. LEFT BANGKOK AUG 18/76.

12. GULDEN, FREDERICK N (USC) MAKING ALL HIS
ARRANGEMENTS INDEPENDENTLY.

13. HUEBECK, E KERY (USC) MRS HICKAM, STEPSON
FRANCOIS LAI NI, IMMIGRANT VISAS ISSUED WIFE AND
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STEPSON AUG 17/76. PRIVATE FUNDS AVAILABLE
IN US ACCOUNTS.

14. HORTON, PAUL LOUIS (USC) RECEIVED LOAN FROM
BROTHER. LU PRA MONG KOT HOSPITAL AUG 8-13,
1976-RETURNED TO KING'S HOTEL ON AUG 13. STAYED
IN YMCA AUG 5 TO 8. RESERVATION FOR AUG 23 DEPARTURE.

15. KAJI, ANDREW T (USC) MRS NGO THI MAU.
IMMIGRANT VISA ISSUED HER AUG 17/76. RELUCTANT
TO APPLY FOR REPATRIATION LOAN. OBTAINED CUT-RATE
KOREAN AIR TICKETS, BUT MISSED LAST RESERVATION
AVAILABLE, DUE WAITING FOR VISA CLEARANCE FROM
WASHINGTON FOR WIFE. NO AIR RESERVATIONS AVAILABLE
TO DATE.

16. MCDONALD, HERMAN (USC) REPATRIATION LOAN
AUTHORIZED. LEFT BANGKOK AUG 11/76. DID NOT
ARRIVE IN SAN FRANCISCO AS EXPECTED AUG 13,
APPARENTLY LEFT PLANE EITHER HONG KONG
OR TOKYO (SEE REFTEL A). HIS PASSPORT LIMITED TO EXPIRE
AUG 19/76.

17. MIELKE, RICHARD (USC) MRS MISTY SUONG, DAUGHTER MADELINE,
MAKING ALL HIS ARRANGEMENTS INDEPENDENTLY.

18. POLLARD, PERRY (USC), MRS VAN THI HOANG AUH,
SON DUANG, PLUS SECOND CHILD (BOTH USC'S).
REPATRIATION LOAN AUTHORIZED. IMMIGRANT VISA FOR WIFE
ISSUED AUG 17/76. RESERVATION AUG 23 TO LEAVE BANGKOK.

19. POSNER, GERALD (USC) AND MRS TU THI NHAN
LEFT BANGKOK AUG 18/76. RECEIVED LOAN FROM
PRIVATE SOURCES. IMMIGRANT VISA ISSUED AUG 17/76.

20. RAGAN, MRS LON THI (PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIEN),
DAUGHTER. IMMIGRANT VISA ISSUED DAUGHTER AUG 16/76. LEFT
BANGKOK AUG 17.

21. RESOR, MRS HUYNH THI BA, SON TUAN DONNY LEE,
SON TERRY ALAN (USC). MRS RESOR IS DIVORCED FROM
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USC HUSBAND GAIL F RESOR, AND THE REFUGEE OFFICE
HERE ARRANGED FOR TRANSPORTATION AND SPONSORSHIP
IN US. (SEE REFTELS B&C). LEFT BANGKOK AUG 15/76.

22. RIOS, JOSE A (USC) MRS NGUYEN THI XUYEN,
STEPSON JIMMY A., IMMIGRANT VISAS ISSUED WIFE AND
STEPSON ON AUG 17/76. REPATRIATION LOAN AUTHORIZED.
FLIGHT RESERVATION MADE FOR AUG 23/76.

23. RIVERA, FRED JOHN (USC) FUNDS AND TICKET RECEIVED
FROM EX-EMPLOYER. MAKING OWN RESERVATIONS TO LEAVE
BANGKOK, HOPES EITHER AUG 19 OR 20.

24. SMITH, WILLIAM J., LEFT BANGKOK AUG 11/76. FUNDS
FROM FATHER.

25. THOMASSEN, FORD W (USC) REPATRIATION LOAN AUTHORIZED.
LEFT BANGKOK AUG 5/76.

26. WERMINE, MRS MADELINE MIKYO (USC), REPATRIATION
LOAN AUTHORIZED. LEFT BANGKOK AUG 12/76.

27. ZIMINSKE, TOM (USC) REPATRIATION LOAN AUTHORIZED.
LEFT BANGKOK AUG 12/76.

28. TRIEU'S - 5 IN ALL - ALL CHILDREN OF USC'S -
IMMIGRANT VISAS ISSUED AUG 13/76. LEFT BANGKOK
AUG 17/76. FUNDS SENT BY PARENTS IN US. NAMES: BAO,
KIEN MAN; BAO, TO (MISS); DU HUE BINH (MRS TRIEU CUONG);
TRIEU KIEN CUONG; TRIEU KIEN NGHIEP.

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BREAKDOWN OF INDIVIDUAL EXPENSES

1. BAKER

HOTEL B7,650 (\$364.29)

TRAVEL \$1,167.15

EMERGENCY LOAN \$50

TRAVEL EXPENSES \$60

2. BENNETT

HOTEL B7,650 (\$364.29)

TRAVEL EST. \$1,413

EMERGENCY LOAN \$50

TRAVEL EXPENSES \$60

3. CANTON

HOTEL B1,500 (\$71.43)

4. CHING

HOTEL B10,200 (\$485.71)

EMERGENCY LOAN \$150

5. COOPER

HOTEL B5,100 (\$242.86)

EMERGENCY LOAN \$50

6. DAM

HOTEL B2,400 (\$114.29)

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EMERGENCY LOAN \$50

7. FILLER

HOTEL B5,100 (\$242.86)

TRAVEL \$778.10

EMERGENCY LOAN \$50

TRAVEL EXPENSES \$30

8. HORTON

HOTEL B2,700 (\$128.57)

EMERGENCY LOAN \$50

9. KAJI

HOTEL B7,650

EMERGENCY LOAN \$50

10. MCDONALD

HOTEL B3,300 (\$157.14)

TRAVEL \$778.10

EMERGENCY LOAN \$50

TRAVEL EXPENSES \$20

11. POLLARD

HOTEL B10,200 (\$485.71)

TRAVEL EST. \$2,170

EMERGENCY LOAN \$150

TRAVEL EXPENSES \$120

12. POSNER

HOTEL B7,650 (\$364.29)

TRAVEL \$150

13. RAGAN

HOTEL B5,250 (\$250)

14. RESOR

HOTEL B9,000 (\$428.57)

EMERGENCY LOAN \$50

15. RIOS

HOTEL B8,250 (\$392.86)

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TRAVEL \$1,945.25

EMERGENCY LOAN \$100

TRAVEL EXPENSES \$60

16. RIVERA

HOTEL B5,100 (\$242.86)

EMERGENCY LOAN \$50

17. SMITH

HOTEL B3,300 (\$157.14)

EMERGENCY LOAN \$50

18. THOMASSEN

HOTEL B1,500 (\$71.43)

TRAVEL \$778.10

EMERGENCY LOAN \$50

TRAVEL EXPENSES \$26.90

19. WERMINE

HOTEL B3,300 (\$157.14)

TRAVEL \$469.40

EMERGENCY LOAN \$50

20. ZIMINSKE

HOTEL B2,100 (\$100)

TRAVEL \$469.40

EMERGENCY LOAN \$50

21. TRIEU'S

HOTEL B18,750 (\$892.86)

THE FOLLOWING HAVE NOT AS YET LEFT BANGKOK -
FORTHCOMING OR ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL HOTEL BILLS FOR
THEM ARE AS FOLLOWS:

BENNETT AUGUST 18-22 B1,800

CHING AUGUST 18-22 B2,400

COOPER AUGUST 18-22 B1/200

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#HORTON AUGUST 18-23 B1,500

KAJI AUGUST 18-22 B1,800

#POLLARD AUGUST 18-23 B3,000

#RIOS AUGUST 18-23 B3,000

RIVERA AUGUST 18-22 B1,200

TOTAL ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL

HOTEL BILL: B15,900

B127,650 (\$5,714.30)

SJBTOTALS: HOTEL BILL OUTSTANDING

TRAVEL (\$11,299.78)

EMERGENCY LOANS \$1,100.00

TRAVEL EXPENSES \$ 376.90

ADDITIONAL HOTEL (EST)

B15,900 (\$757.14)

TOTAL: \$19,248.12)

MR COOPER HAS INDICATED THAT HE PLANS TO PAY
HIS OWN HOTEL BILL AS SOON AS HIS MONEY ARRIVES.
MR HORTON, MR CHING, AND MR RIVERA ALSO
INTEND TO DO SO, ALTHOUGH THEIR FUNDS ARE
RUNNING SHORT DUE TO DELAYS IN MR RIVERA AND
MR CHING'S OBTAINING RESERVATIONS FOR DEPARTURE,
AND TO MR NORTON'S HOSPITALIZATION.

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THE AMERICANS LISTED AND THE VIETNAMESE
DEPENDENTS OF AMERICANS, WERE FORCED TO LEAVE
VIETNAM PRECIPITOUSLY. THEY WERE ALLOWED
TO TAKE NO MONEY OUT OF VIETNAM. IN VIEW OF THE
WIDESPREAD HUMANITARIAN AND CONGRESSIONAL
INTEREST THIS CASE HAS AROUSED, THE ARTICLES
IN THE LATEST TIME AND NEWSWEEK MAGAZINES, AND
GENERAL PUBLIC RELATIONS ASPECTS, IT WOULD BE
UNFORTUNATE IF THE EMBASSY AND US GOVT WERE TO HOLD
THEM UP IN BANGKOK FOR VISA REQUIREMENTS AND OTHER FORMAL-
ITIES, WHILE AT THE SAME TIME ATTEMPTING TO DUN THEM FOR MONEY,
FUNDS THAT MOST CANNOT EASILY AFFORD AT THIS TIME. THESE
INDIVIDUALS MUST BEGIN A NEW AND DIFFICULT LIFE,
WITH SIXTEEN MONTHS BEHIND THEM OF STRESS, SHOCK,
AND OFTEN PRIVATION. NEW ADJUSTMENTS FOR THEM
WILL AT BEST BE VERY DIFFICULT. IN CONSIDERATION
OF WHAT HAS BEEN DONE FOR 150,000 INDOCHINA
REFUGEES, AS WELL AS OTHER AMERICANS WHO WERE
RETURNED TO THE US GRATIS, WE RECOMMEND THAT
CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN THE THE ABOVE MENTIONED INDIVIDUAL
EXPENSES BE BORNE BY THE US GOVERNMENT. THE TOTAL
AMOUNT REQUIRED SHOULD NOT MUCH EXCEED \$20,000. PLEASE FURNISH
FISCAL DATA FOR ITEMS NOTED UNDER "HOTEL", I.E. BOARD AND ROOM.
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